

Proof of Old Relief  
Society Bldg at 90 E  
200 N Heber

A History of Adolphus R. Duke, written by himself  
in Feb. 1933.

A history of A. R. Duke, a great man, by A. R. Duke  
a great historian.

I was born like most people are, on Nov. 16, 1882,  
at Heber City in an old house at the present site  
of my mother's home Lot — Block — Heber City  
Survey. (383 N. 200 E. Heber City, Utah) My father was  
Robert Duke, my mother was Anna Josephine Peterson.  
I was the oldest of eight children the others being  
J. Pratt Duke, Mabel R. Duke Jorgensen, Seymour B  
Duke, and Sterling B. Duke (twins) Mina La Pore Duke  
Stevens, Jessie Duke Allen + Gerald Boyd Duke.

I spent my younger days at home. My early  
playmates were David Horrocks, Lyman Duke, Hyrum  
+ Joseph Shanks, Wesley U. Duke, Joe Duke, Monroe  
Duke, Edward Tracy, Fred Hayes, John Tracy, Ruff  
+ Joe Murdock and Joe Bush Murdock; Some of  
my earliest girl friends were Jessie Murdock Bronson,  
Josephine Shanks, Verna Ahlstrom, Maud Clyde, Annie  
Hatch, Emma Giles Carlile.

Went to school when I was 6 years old at  
the old Rock School House that stood where the  
present Heber 1<sup>st</sup> ward Chapel now stands (325 E 2<sup>nd</sup> N)  
My first teacher is John Aird who is now a medical  
doctor. I also went to school at the old Relief Society  
Hall, one block east of the old Duncan House, where  
Clara Clyde now lives (90 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> N.). Other teachers  
were E. D. Clyde, O. J. Call, Attenwall Wootton. Also  
an old rock school in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ward, across the  
street from John Witt's home. I also went to the  
old rock building known as old Carter Hall.

black west from the old John Mc Donald home,  
also 1 black west from the old John Duke home.  
(the John Duke home was on main street + 4<sup>th</sup> north)  
Went to the Central school a big rock building  
(3<sup>rd</sup> So. and main) which burned up a few years  
ago, here I graduated from the eighth grade  
under Henry M. Aird, one of the best if not the  
best Teacher I ever had. The following graduated  
with me Thomas Todd, Jensen, Lafayette Giles,  
Dr. H. Ray Hatch, Ada Cummings, Ruth Hicken Dickson,  
Lacy Band Duke, Gladys Mc Mullen Davis (Deceased)  
Verna Murdock

I went to the Brigham Young Academy, in Provo now  
B.Y.U., in 1903. I went there for 5 consecutive years  
which I enjoyed very much. Studied some Orchestra  
and Band music, also mathematics and Engineering.  
I played Eb Alto in the B.Y.U. Band for 3 or 4 years  
under professor Albert Miller, a very capable musician.  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> year I began to play Trombone and got a  
job playing in the Hiber Orchestra which consisted  
at that time of Andrew G. Anderson (violin), Ray  
Hatch, (Clarinet), Clyde Willis (Cornet), Roe Duke  
(piano), A. R. Duke (trombone). I had only been  
playing Trombone about 6 weeks when I got the  
job, which was a help to me because I came  
home every Friday to play to the dances, then held  
in the Turner Hall, now the Turner Garage, (on  
about 235 N. Main.) I made enough money playing  
to dances to keep me in school for 3 years. Of  
course I did not spend very much, but we  
batched and got along fine. I had as much money  
in the spring when school was out as I did